

CLAIMS

1. The use of extracts of the plant *Argania spinosa* for the production of anti-acne preparations.
2. The use of extracts of the plant *Argania spinosa* for the production of anti-seborrhoea preparations.
3. The use of extracts of the plant *Argania spinosa* for the production of preparations with anti-5- α -reductase activity.
4. The use of extracts of the plant *Argania spinosa* as claimed in claim 3 for the production of preparations with anti-5- α -reductase activity for the treatment of unwanted hair growth in women, more particularly for the treatment of unwanted hair growth occurring after the menopause.
5. The use claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 4, characterized in that the extracts contain proteins and/or saponins.
6. The use claimed in any of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that the extracts contain saponins selected from the group consisting of arganin A, arganin B, arganin C, arganin D, arganin E, arganin F, arganin G, arganin H, arganin J and misaponin A.
7. The use claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 6, characterized in that the extracts contain arganin A in quantities of at least 6% by weight, based on the dry weight of the extract, as the saponin.
8. The use claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 7, characterized in that the extracts contain at least 3% by weight of proteins, based on the dry weight of the extract.
9. The use claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 8, characterized in that the extracts are used in quantities of 0.01 to 25% by weight, expressed as dry weight and based on the preparation.
10. The use claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 9, characterized in that the extract is obtained by extraction of plant parts selected from the group consisting of the leaves, the stem, the bark, the flowers, the fruits, the fruit flesh and the seed kernels.

11. The use claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 10, characterized in that the extract is obtained by extraction of the seed kernels and/or the defatted seed kernels from the fruit of the plant.